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In re application of

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For: PRESERVED IMPLANTABLE VESSEL
DERIVED FROM A HUMAN UMBILICAL
CORD OR PLACENTA

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

(37 C.F.R. §1.115)

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 14-26 and add new claims 27-37.

27. An allograft,

comprising:

a. preserved vessel isolated from a human umbilical cord
C 1 directly lyophilized without chemical denaturing, said preserved
vessel exhibiting low antigenicity and high patency when
implanted, said preserved vessel being substantially free of fetal
blood, said vessel further including a lumen; and

b. a removable stent located in said lumen of said
preserved vessel.